

# Little Sticks

**black**

►adjective

- The colour of the night sky, *e.g. He has black hair.*

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\_\_\_\_\_ WOULD LIKE TO MEET WITH YOU IN THE LOBBY.

MESSAGE: \_\_\_\_\_



**blank**

►adjective

1. Free from writing, having an empty space to be filled in, *e.g. Please fill in the blank spaces on the form; Please give me a blank piece of paper; A blank check means a check without any amount of money written on it.*
2. Without either smiling or frowning, *e.g. I looked at him to see if he was angry with me but his face was completely blank.*



**blast**

►noun

- An explosion, *e.g. There was a bomb blast at the train station.*



**blend**

►noun

- A mixture of two or more things, *e.g. The juice is a blend of orange and pineapple.*

►verb [**blend, blending, blended**]

- (transitive) To mix or put together by and or in a blender (mixie machine), *e.g. Put the mango and mint into the blender and mix them together to make chutney; Blend the colours together with the paint brush.*

## blink

### ►verb (blink, blinking, blinked)

1. To close and reopen both eyes quickly, e.g. *The loser in the staring game is the person who blinks first.*
2. Lights that go on and off quickly, e.g. *The traffic lights were blinking; A car's indicator lights are blinking, it means that the car is getting ready to turn.*



## block

### ►noun

1. A square (cubic) piece of any substance, e.g. *The child was playing with blocks; I put a block of ice in the icebox.*
2. A group of houses circled by a road, e.g. *I'm going for a walk around the block*
3. An apartment building, e.g. *I live in the pink block of flats.*

### ►verb [block, blocking, blocked]

- To be plugged up; to have an obstacle in the way, e.g. *The pipe is blocked; All the roads to Vrindavan were blocked by police so we had to park the car and then walk; Please move, you are blocking my view of the television.*



## brand

### ►noun

- A name of a company, e.g. *Which brand of soap do you use?*

### ►verb (brand, branding, branded)

- To mark animals to show ownership, e.g. *The cow was branded with a trident to show that it belonged to the ashram.*





## brick

► noun

- A hardened rectangular block of mud, clay etc, used for building, *e.g. This wall is made of bricks.*

► adjective

- Made of bricks, *e.g. We live in a brick house; Do you know how to build a brick wall?*

## clank

► verb [clank, clanking, clanked]

- A loud sound of metal or glass, *e.g. The glasses in the box clanked together.*

## clench.

► verb (clench, clenching, clenched)

- To hold tightly (hands or teeth only), *e.g. He clenched his fists in anger; He was so nervous that he was clenching his teeth.*

## click

► noun

- A short light sound,

► verb [click, clicking, clicked]

1. A short light sound, *e.g. I turned the key, the lock clicked and the door opened; Stop clicking your tongue; The magician clicked his fingers and the rabbit disappeared.*
2. To press and release a button on a computer, *e.g. Click on the window at the bottom of the screen.*

## clink

► noun

- A lighter sound than 'clank', *e.g. You could hear the clink of the glasses from the next room and they all shouted, "Cheers!"*



## clock

► noun

- An instrument used to measure time, *e.g. We have a clock on the back wall of our classroom.*

## clunk

► noun

- A dull, metallic sound, *e.g. I heard a clunk then the car stopped.*





**crack**  
►noun

- A thin line where something has broken, e.g. *There were cracks in the ground; There was a big crack in the road.*

►verb [**crack, cracking, cracked**]

- To form cracks, e.g. *It's been so dry, the ground is starting to crack; The egg*



*cracked and the baby chicken came out.*

**cramp**  
►noun

- A painful contraction of a muscle, e.g. *I have a cramp in my leg; I have a cramp in my stomach.*

**crank**  
►noun

- (informal) An ill-tempered person; one who complains a great deal, e.g. *He is a crank pot.*
- To wind up or increase the power of something, e.g. *Crank up the generator; Crank up the volume of the stereo.*



**crept**  
►verb

- Simple past tense and past participle of **creep** (see below)

**creep**  
►verb [**creep, creeping, crept**]

- To move slowly with the abdomen close to the ground. e.g. *Lizards and snakes crept over the ground; He tried to creep past the guard without being seen.*

►noun

- A creepy person, e.g. *I don't like the way he looks at me, he is a creep.*

**crisp**  
►adjective

- Crunchy, e.g. *Please cook my paratha well, I like crisp parathas.*

►noun

- (UK only) Potato chips, e.g. *I like tomato flavoured crisps.*





### crust

#### ►noun

- The outer part of bread or pizza, e.g. *Don't throw away the crust.*

### crunch

#### ►verb [**crunch, crunching, crunched**]

1. To eat noisily, e.g. *I can hear the sound of you crunching that packet of chips.*
2. To be crushed with a noisy crackling sound, e.g. *Beetles crunched beneath the*

*men's heavy boots as they worked.*

### drank

#### ►verb [**drink, drinking, drank, drunk**]

- Simple past of drink, e.g. *I was feeling so hot that I drank a whole bottle of water.*

### drink

#### ►verb [**drink, drinking, drank, drunk**]

1. To consume (a liquid) through the mouth, e.g. *You can lead a horse to water but you can't make him drink.*
2. To consume alcoholic beverages, e.g. *You've been drinking, haven't you?, No thanks, I don't drink.*



### drift

#### ►verb [**drift, drifting, drifted**]

1. To float in the water or air without direction, e.g. *The boat drifted away from the shore; The balloon was drifting in the breeze.*
2. To move around without aim, e.g. *He drifted from town to town, never settling down.*



### driftwood

#### ►noun

- A piece of wood that is floating in the ocean or a piece of wood that has been floating in the ocean for some time, e.g. *Our boat hit a piece of driftwood; When trees fall into the ocean, they become driftwood.*

## drunk

### ►verb [drink, drinking, drank, drunk]

- Past participle of **drink**, e.g. *Who has drunk all the lemonade? Have you drunk enough water today?*

### ►adjective

- A person who has drunk alcohol and is not in his right mind, e.g. *Don't talk to him, he is drunk.*

### ►noun

- A person who drinks too much alcohol, e.g. *He is a mean drunk.*

## flick

### ►noun/verb (flick, flicking, flicked)

- To use the finger or hand to remove something, e.g. *She flicked away the bug with her finger; He removed the speck of dust with a flick of his finger.*



## flock

### ►noun

- A large number of birds or some other types of animals, e.g. *The flock was flying west; The flock of sheep was eating grass on the mountain top.*

### ►verb [flock, flocking, flocked]

- To crowd together, come in masses, e.g. *People flocked to the temple to see the boat festival.*



## frank

►adjective

1. Very honest, e.g. *May I be frank with you? To be frank, I don't see him working very hard.*



## frost

►noun

- A thin layer of ice found outside in the morning, e.g. *We went for an early morning in the park and our shoes became cold and wet from the frost on the grass.*

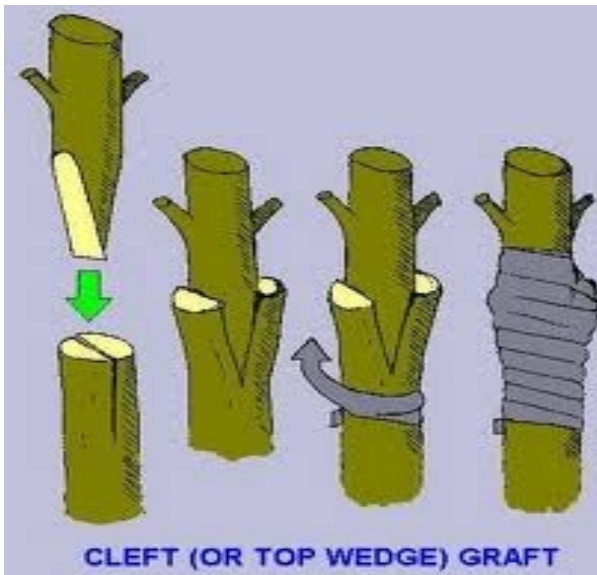
## glint

►verb [glint, glinting, glinted]

- A short flash of light, e.g. *There was a glint of sunshine;*

►noun

- *When he has that glint in his eyes, it means that he is thinking of an evil plan.*



## graft

►verb [graft, grafting, grafted]

- Two plants, cut and put together to make a new kind of tree, e.g. *We grafted these two tomato plants together to make a stronger kind of tomato plant.*

## grasp

►verb (grasp, grasping, grasped)

- To grip; to hold tightly, e.g. *She was grasping the railing as she went down the stairs.*



## Grinch

►Proper noun

- A fictional creature; a demon, e.g. *I read a story about the Grinch who stole Christmas.*

## grunt

### ►verb [grunt, grunting, grunted]

1. A sound made in the throat that shows a lack of interest, *e.g. When I asked him if he could drive us to the shops, he just grunted and kept watching the television.*
2. The sound a pig makes, *e.g. The pigs were grunting and it seemed as though they were talking to each other.*

## pluck

### ►verb [pluck, plucking, plucked]

- To pull something out, *e.g. Do not pluck flowers from the garden.*



## plump

### ►adjective

1. Chubby, slightly fat, *e.g. She is not thin, she is a little plump.*

## plumper

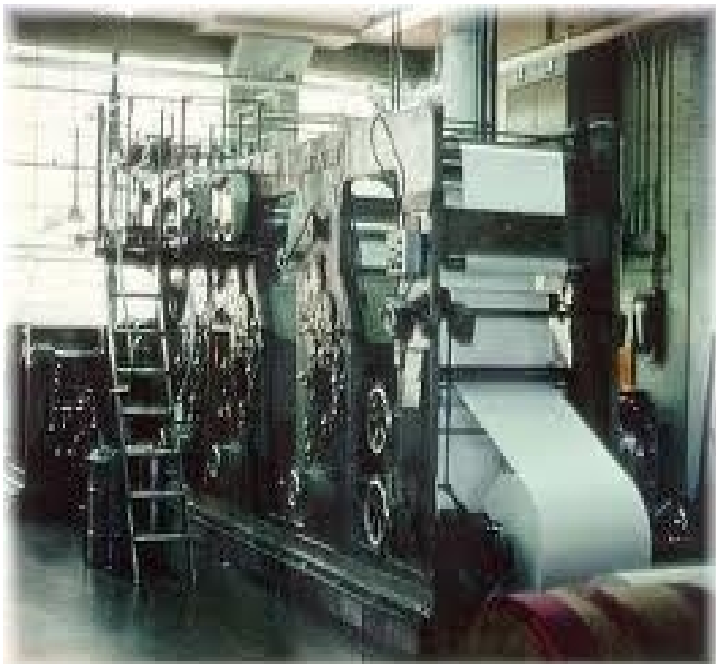
### ►adjective

- comparative form of plump (more plump), *e.g. You are plumper than me.*

## plumpest

### ►adjective

- Superlative form of plump (most plump), *e.g. I am the plumpest girl in the class.*



## print

### ►verb (print, printing, printed)

1. To write without connecting the letters as in cursive script, *e.g. Print your name here and sign below.*
2. To use a machine (printing press) to make books and newspapers, *e.g. This is a printing press, it prints books and newspapers; Srila Prabupada collected money so that he could get his books printed.*

### ►noun

- The letters forming the text of a document. *E.g. The print is too small for me to read.*



## printer

### ►noun

1. A company that prints books etc, *e.g. She collected the books from the printer.*
2. A machine that is attached to a computer that can print words or images onto paper, *e.g. Please put some paper in the printer.*



## scrap

### ►noun

- A leftover piece, *e.g. Do you have any scrap paper that I can write on the back of? We ate most of the food, then gave the scraps to the dogs.*



## scrunch

### ►verb [scrunch, scrunching, scrunched]

1. To crumple and squeeze to make smaller, *e.g. He scrunched the paper into a ball and threw it into the recycling bin.*



## skunk

### ►noun

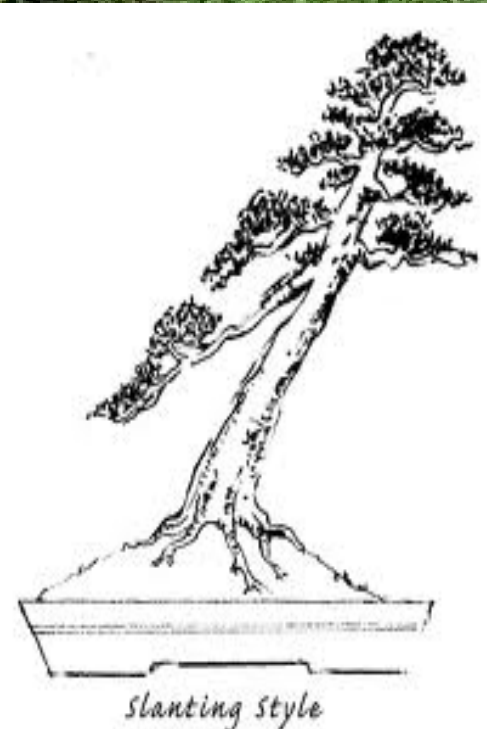
- An American animal that uses a bad smell to scare away larger animals, *e.g. Keep away from the skunk, otherwise it will put a bad smell on you.*

## slant

### ►noun/adjective

- Not straight, *e.g. The tree is growing on a slant; The house is on a slant; Your nose is slanted.*

**slept** Simple past tense and past participle of 'sleep' (see below)



## sleep

### ►verb [sleep, sleeping, slept]

- To rest, to lie with the eyes closed, *e.g. You should sleep for 8 hours a day; He slept until noon; It is time to sleep now;*

### ►noun

- A rest typically at night, *e.g. Did you get enough sleep?*



## slick

### ►noun

- A covering of liquid, particularly oil, *e.g. There's an oil slick on the road; The oil slick has now spread to cover the entire bay, endangering the sea life.*



## smack

### ►verb [smack, smacking, smacked]

- To slap or hit someone, *e.g. The man asked the lady to have dinner with him but she smacked him in the face.*

## snack

### ►noun / adjective

- A light meal, food eaten between meals, *e.g. She is having a snack; It is not good to eat too many snacks;*

*Many snack foods are not good for health; Potato chips are a popular snack.*

### ►verb (snack, snacking, snacked)

- To eat between meals, *e.g. Stop snacking, otherwise you will not be hungry at dinner time.*





## spank

►verb [spank, spanking, spanked]

- To beat, smack or slap a person's buttocks, with the bare hand or an object, as punishment, e.g. *Parents sometimes spank their children for being naughty but it is better if they can explain to their child why their behaviour was wrong.*

## speck

►noun

- A tiny spot, especially of dirt etc, e.g. *There are tiny specks of dust covering my glasses.*



## spend

►verb [spend, spending, spent]

- To use up money or time, e.g. *I don't want to go to the shops, if I go, I will spend money; How much did you spend on fixing your cycle? Do not spend too much time on this homework, it should take a maximum of 1 hour.*



## spring

►noun

- The season in between winter and summer, e.g. *We celebrate Holi in the spring.*
- A place where water emerges from the ground, e.g. *This water is bottled from a natural mountain spring.*
- A curled wire that lets things go up and down, e.g. *There is a spring inside my pen; There are big springs in cars that help them go smoothly over the bumps.*







## stack

### ►noun

- A large pile, e.g. *It is difficult to find a needle in a hay stack; Wow! That is a nice stack of pancakes.*

### ►verb [stack, stacking, stacked]

- To arrange in a stack, to put one on top of the other, e.g. *Please stack those chairs in the corner.*

## stamp

### ►noun



- An object that prints onto paper or the mark made by this object, e.g. *When you arrive at the airport, the officer will put a stamp in your passport; My report card has the school stamp on it.*
- A postal ticket, e.g. *I gave the man at the post office some money and he put a stamp on my letter.*

### ►verb [stamp, stamping, stamped]

- To put a foot down heavily to make a noise, e.g. *The child screamed and stamped his foot, but his mother did not give him the candy.*





## stand

### ►verb [stand, standing, stood]

1. To be on two feet, not sitting or lying, *e.g. I am standing at the bus stop waiting for the bus; Please stand up; Keep standing, do not sit down, He stood the broom in a corner and took a break.*
2. To tolerate, *e.g. I can't stand when children talk in class; I can't stand her constant complaining; I don't know how you can stand this heat.*

### ►noun

- A small booth, where things are sold or a rack where things can be kept, *e.g. He was looking for a magazine at the magazine stand.*



## handstand

### ►noun

- To stand on one's hands, *e.g. Do you know how to do a handstand? He is an expert in doing handstands.*

## stick

### ►noun

- A small, thin branch from a tree or bush; a twig; a branch, *e.g. The bird's nest was made out of sticks; He carries a stick to help him walk and to keep monkeys away.*

### ►verb [stick, sticking, stuck]

- To glue; to adhere, *e.g. Stick the label on the jar; The tape will not stick if the plastic is wet.*



## sticks

- Plural form of 'stick', *e.g. I went to the forest to collect some sticks.*

## stock

### ►verb [stock, stocking, stocked]

- To count items, *e.g. We have to keep stock of how many books are in the library; The stock-market keeps stock of how much money companies and countries have.*

### ►noun

- Goods ready for sale, *e.g. We have a stock of televisions on hand; The store stocks all kinds of dried vegetables.*





## stuck

### ►adjective

- Trapped and unable to move, *e.g. The cat got stuck under the bed; I'm stuck on this question, I just cannot figure out the answer.*



## stunt

### ►noun

- A daring or dangerous act, *e.g. The stuntman fell when doing a stunt on his motorbike.*

### ►verb [stunt, stunting, stunted]

- To slow down growth, *e.g. It is very bad when children smoke cigarettes because it stunts their growth; You should eat many vegetables, otherwise your growth will be stunted and you will not grow tall; Malnutrition has stunted their growth.*



## strap

### ►noun

- A long strip for fastening something, *e.g. I use a strap to make sure that my camera does not fall; My bag strap is broken.*

### ►verb [strap, strapping, strapped]

- To fasten or bind with a strap or belt, *e.g. She strapped her baby into the pram.*







## street

►noun

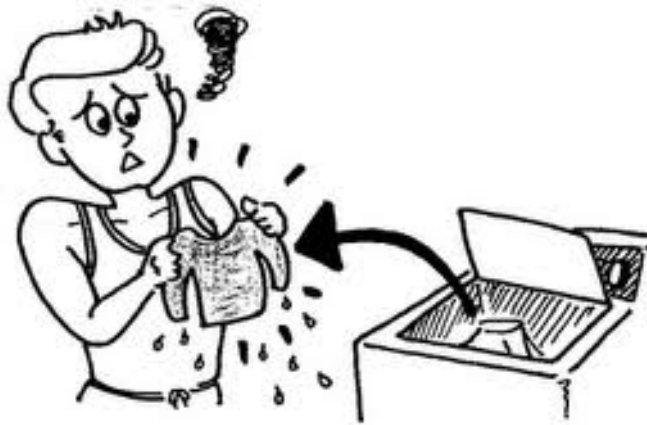
- A road, e.g. *Walk down the street; Children were playing cricket on the street.*



## string

►noun

- A thin rope, e.g. *Tie the boxes up with string; My kite string broke and my kite flew away.*



## shrink

►verb [shrink, shrinking, shrank, shrunk]

1. To (cause to) become smaller, e.g. *Sometimes cotton cloth shrinks a little bit on the first wash; Oh no! My pants have shrunk; She shrank my shirt by washing it in hot water.*
2. To avoid, e.g. *When I saw him, he shrank away from me, so I guess he does not want to talk to me.*

## thank

►verb [thank, thanking, thanked]

- To show gratitude or appreciation to someone, e.g. *She thanked him for the gift, It is important to thank people who help us; She has the habit of thanking her staff for their hard work.*

## thick

►adjective

- Not thin, e.g. *This is a thick book; You made the curry nice and thick; Boil the milk for ten minutes so that it becomes thicker.*

## think

►verb [think, thinking, thought]

1. To go over in one's head, e.g. *Make sure you think carefully about which subjects to take next year; Have you thought about what you want to do for your birthday? Don't disturb him, he is thinking.*
2. To have an opinion, e.g. *I thought he was my friend so I trusted him but he stole my money; I thought it might be cold, so I brought my sweater.*

## thump

### ►noun

- A blow that produces a muffled sound, *e.g. He put his bag down with a loud thump.*

### ►verb [thump, thumping, thumped]

- To hit (someone or something), *e.g. She thumped him on the head with a book.*



## thrust

### ►verb [thrust, thrusting, thrust]

- To stab, *e.g. The sword-fighter thrust her sword into the other player.*



## track

### ►noun

1. A mark left by something that has passed along, *e.g. Which of these tracks was made by a human? Which track was made by a bear?*
2. A path, *e.g. We followed the track to the top of the mountain.*

### ►verb [track, tracking, tracked]

1. To observe something, *e.g. Keep track of time and don't be late; Make sure you keep track of how much money you are spending.*
2. To discover the location of a person, *e.g. The police are trying to track down the criminals.*



## tramp

### ►noun

- A homeless person; a bum, *e.g. Everyone thinks that he is an ordinary tramp, but he was a rich man who donated all his money to the church.*

## trend

### ►noun

- A fashion style, *e.g. He always follows fashion trends; The latest trend at our school is to wear different coloured socks.*



## trench

### ►noun

- A long, narrow hole dug in the ground, especially in war time, *e.g. The soldiers were hiding in the trench.*



## trick

### ►noun

- Something designed to fool, *e.g. The magician did a magic trick.*

### ►verb [trick, tricking, tricked]

- To fool; to cheat, *e.g. Krishna tricked the gopis by hiding.*

## truck

### ►noun

- A large road vehicle used for transporting goods, *e.g. My father drives a truck; When we moved house, our furniture was delivered by truck.*



## trust

### ►verb [trust, trusting, trusted]

1. To have confidence in; to rely on; put faith in, *e.g. We can not trust people who have cheated us; We have to trust that God will help us.*





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## trunk

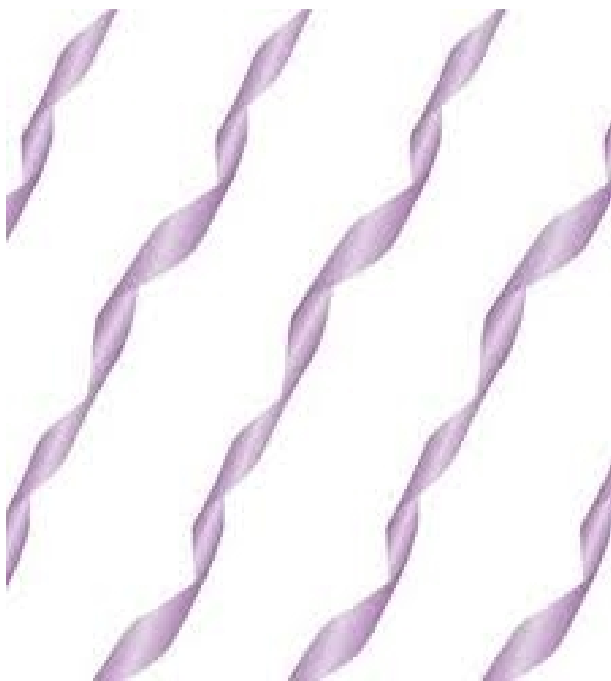
### ►noun

1. The thick stem of a tree, *e.g. The monkey climbed up the tree trunk and sat on the branch.*
2. A large box for storage, *e.g. I keep my toys in a wooden trunk.*
3. (US, Canada) The back part of a car for carrying luggage, *e.g. Open the trunk and put the bags in.*
4. The long nose of an elephant, *e.g. The elephant picked up a coin with its trunk.*

## twist

### ►verb [twist, twisting, twisted]

- To turn the ends of something, *e.g. She twisted her hair; He twisted my arm; Stop twisting the cord.*



## twisting

### ►adjective

- Having many twists, *e.g. The mountain road is even more twisting than the valley road.*



### fiddle

#### ►noun

- A violin, e.g. *He likes to play the fiddle.*

#### ►verb [fiddle, fiddling, fiddled]

- To play aimlessly, e.g. *Stop fiddling with your hair.*

### middle

#### ►noun

• The center; the part between the beginning and the end, e.g. *The baby pig is stuck in the middle of his parents; I woke up in the middle of the night; I got bored of the movie so I stopped watching it in the middle; Do not disturb him, he is in the middle of doing his homework.*



#### ►adjective

- Being in the middle or in-between, e.g. *What is your middle name? During the middle ages, Muslims ruled India.*

### riddle

#### ►noun

- A verbal puzzle, e.g. *It's black, and white, and red all over. What is it? (a newspaper); Speak clearly, don't talk in riddles.*



### bundle

#### ►noun

- A group of objects held together, e.g. *He was carrying a bundle of sticks on his head; Please make these pencils into bundles of 8.*

#### ►verb [bundle, bundling, bundled]

- To tie or wrap together, e.g. *Use this string to bundle the papers together; His mother bundled him up in lots of warm clothes.*

### pickle

#### ►noun

- A preserved food, e.g. *We eat mango pickle with kitchery; Some people put cucumber pickles on their hamburgers.*





### **tickle**

►verb [tickle, tickling, tickled]

- To touch someone in a way that causes them to laugh, e.g. *She was tickling his feet with a feather.*

### **twinkle**

►verb [twinkle, twinkling, twinkled]

- To shine with a flickering light; to

glimmer, e.g. *The stars were twinkling in the dark sky; We could see the lights of the village twinkling in the distance;*

►noun

- *He was a jolly man with a twinkle in his eye.*

### **sprinkle**

►verb [sprinkle, sprinkling, sprinkled]

- To cause something to fall in fine drops or pieces e.g. *I sprinkled sugar over the cakes; I sprinkled glitter onto the paper; The sprinkler sprinkled water onto the grass; It is not raining, only sprinkling.*



### **mumble**

►verb [mumble, mumbling, mumbled]

- To speak without opening the mouth properly, e.g. *Please try not to mumble so I can hear you better; I don't know what he said, he was mumbling; He mumbled something about having to go, then left.*

### **tumble**

►verb [tumble, tumbling, tumbled]

- A fall, e.g. *He tumbled off his skateboard.*

►noun

- e.g. *He had a bad tumble; He went for a tumble.*



### **grumble**

►verb [grumble, grumbling, grumbled]

1. To make a low, growling or rumbling noise, like a hungry stomach or storm clouds, e.g. *I knew there would be a storm because the clouds were grumbling; I am so hungry that my stomach is grumbling.*
2. To complain, e.g. *He grumbles about the food constantly; Stop grumbling about how much work you have to do.*





### candle

►noun

- A wax stick that gives light when the wick is burnt, e.g. *The electricity went out so we lit some candles.*

### handle

►noun

- A part of an object which is held in the hand, e.g. *Turn the door handle and the door will open; Hold the bag by the handle.*

►verb [**handle, handling, handled**]

1. To hold in the hands, e.g. *Please handle the box gently, there are glasses inside.*
2. To tolerate, e.g. *I cannot handle the way he shouts at me; This child is difficult to handle.*



### apple

►noun

- A common, round fruit, e.g. *Apples and oranges are my favorite fruits; Do you like red apples or green apples?*



### saddle

►noun

- A seat for a rider placed on the back of a horse, camel etc, e.g. *The horserider was sitting in the saddle.*

### little

►adjective

1. Small in size, e.g. *She held the little kitten in her hand.*
2. Young or Younger, e.g. *This is my little sister; When we were little, we used to play in that park.*



### bottle

►noun

- A container for holding water etc, e.g. *Please pass the water bottle.*



## gobble

►verb [gobble, gobbling, gobbled]

- To eat hastily or greedily; to scoff, e.g. *He gobbled four hot dogs in three minutes; Don't gobble your food, eat it slowly.*



## uncle

►noun

- A brother or brother-in-law of someone's parent, e.g. *He is my maternal uncle; Meet my Uncle Jim.*



## purple

►adjective / noun

1. Having a colour that is a dark blend of red and blue, e.g. *Purple is her favorite colour; I have a purple purse.*



## temple

►noun

- A building for worship, e.g. *We went to the Golden Temple in Varanasi.*

## medal

►noun

- An ornament given as a prize, e.g. *I won a gold medal in the running race.*





**pedal**  
►noun



- A lever operated by one's foot that is used to control a machine or mechanism, such as a bicycle or car, *e.g. Bicycles have two pedals; The pedals on a car are for the brakes and accelerator.*

**metal**  
►noun



- A hard shiny substance that can be molded to make different items, *e.g. This is a metal plate; Cars are made of metal.*

**petal**  
►noun

- The colourful leaves of a flower, *e.g. She picked off a petal; At the wedding, the guests showered the bride and groom with flower petals; How many petals are there on this flower?*



**signal**  
►noun

1. Something that gives a sign, *e.g. Traffic lights are sometimes called 'traffic signals'.*
2. An electromagnetic wave that comes through the air to make televisions, radios and phones work, *e.g. I cannot make a call right now, my phone is not picking up any signal.*

►verb [**signal, signaling, signaled**]

- To give a sign to another person, *e.g. The policeman signaled that we should stop the car.*





## gravel

### ►noun

- Small rocks used to make roads; small black rocks found on the road, *e.g. There was loose gravel on the road so it was difficult for me to ride my cycle.*



## travel

### ►verb [travel, traveling, traveled]

- To go on a trip or journey, *e.g. I like to travel; I've traveled the world.*



## camel

### ►noun

- An animal that can store water in its body and not drink for a long time, *e.g. There are many camels in the desert in Afghanistan.*



## flannel

### ►adjective

- A soft warm cloth, *e.g. I like to wear flannel shirts in the winter time.*

## level

### ►adjective

- The same height at all places, *e.g. This table isn't quite level; see how this marble rolls off it?*

### ►noun

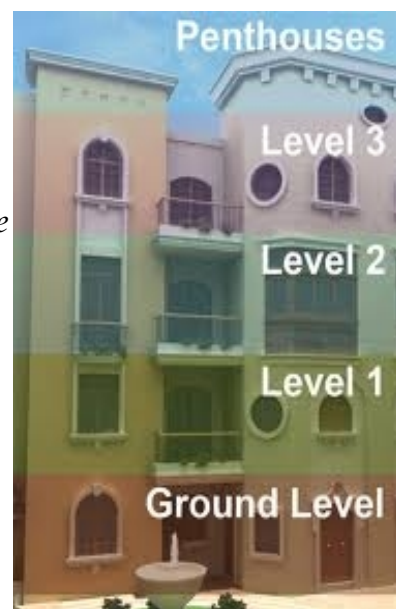
- A floor of a multi-storey

building, *e.g. Take the stairs and exit at the ground level.*

- A grade of difficulty, *e.g. I am taking maths at the easiest level possible.*

### ►verb [level, leveling, leveled]

- To make flat, *e.g. The hurricane leveled the forest; Tractor is leveling the ground.*



## nickel

►noun

1. A metal with the same colour as silver, e.g. *This ring is not silver, it is nickle.*
2. (US, Canada, countable) A coin worth 5 cents, e.g. *One candy costs a nickle.*



## tunnel

►noun

- An underground passage, e.g. *The train went through the tunnel.*